UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CASE NO. 4:11-cr-00474

Plaintiff,

OPINION & ORDER [Resolving Doc. 49]

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VS.

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GEORGE D. DELONG, JR.,

Defendant.

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JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

Defendant George D. Delong Jr. requests a reduced sentence under the compassionate release statute, 18 U.S.C. § 3582.<sup>1</sup> The Government opposes Delong's petition.<sup>2</sup>

Under the compassionate release statute, the Court may reduce a defendant's term of imprisonment upon a motion by the defendant.<sup>3</sup> But first, a defendant must satisfy an exhaustion requirement.

Before filing a compassionate release motion with the Court, a defendant must either (1) fully exhaust "all administrative rights to appeal a failure of the Bureau of Prisons to bring a motion on the defendant's behalf" or (2) wait 30 days "from the receipt of such a request by the warden of the defendant's facility, whichever is earlier."

In DeLong's case, the Government contends that DeLong has not presented any request to the Bureau of Prisons. DeLong does not rebut this contention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doc. 49.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Doc. 51.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A)(i).

<sup>4</sup> *Id.* 

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Accordingly, the Court **DENIES** DeLong's sentence-reduction motion without

prejudice. DeLong may renew his motion upon a showing that he has satisfied § 3582's

exhaustion requirement

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 21, 2020

<u>s/</u> <u>James S. Gwin</u> JAMES S. GWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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